



Mary Elizabeth Bryan

October 4, 1950 - October 13, 2025

Mary Elizabeth Griffin Bryan, 75, of Ocilla, GA passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on October 13, 2025. Born on October 4, 1950, in Ocilla, GA, she was the daughter of the late Webster and Wylene Whitley Griffin.

Mary attended Irwin County High School where she was a member of the Lady Indians varsity basketball team and a 1968 graduate. She married the love of her life Russell on January 3, 1969, then went on to start and raise a beautiful family. Throughout her life she worked hard and eventually retired from Heat Craft in 2013. Since retiring, Mary has enjoyed spending time with her family and welcoming her great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by sister Janet Griffin, son William Russell Bryan Jr. "Little Russ", granddaughter Wylene Elizabeth Whaley, maternal grandparents Henry Bates and Mary Stephens Whitley and paternal grandparents Lester and Margaret Elizabeth Griffin

Survivors include her husband William Russell Bryan, her children Donna Tucker, Dawn Guinn, Deborah (George) Hill, and Robert Bryan, her grandchildren Lainie Sumner, Kelsie (Johnnie Jr.) Dixon, Ashley (Jesse) Tucker, Bryce (Teddi) Whaley, Will (Sierra) Tucker, Brooke (Frankie) Douglas, Tyler Guinn, Logan Hill and her great-grandchildren Devon Rodriguez, Calen

Sumner, Aniyah Yother, Aubree Dixon, Ayven Dixon, Dakota Douglas, and arriving soon Ava Elizabeth Whaley, brother Noah W Griffin and sister Sherry (Laverne) Harper.

Celebration of Life service will be held at 2:00pm, on Saturday, October 18th, 2025, at Tift Memorial Gardens in Tifton, GA. Steve Hand will be officiating the service.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Tift Memorial Garden & Mausoleum
1745 US-82
Tifton, GA 31794
(229) 382-2205

Tribute Wall

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“ Sherry and Noah, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your sister. Praying for comfort and peace for each of you. 🙏🕊️

Teresa - October 17, 2025 at 04:00 PM



“ Lavender & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Elizabeth Bryan.



October 17, 2025 at 04:49 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Mary Elizabeth's passing. She was a pretty girl growing up and came from a good Irwin county family. Love to all💕💕

Peggy Day - October 16, 2025 at 10:34 PM

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“ You held my hand and walked me to school the very first day and now I will hold you in my heart for eternity. I love you rest easy til we meet again. Oh give everyone my love.



Noah W Griffin - October 16, 2025 at 02:57 PM